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IC and REOC have approved this reply. Carmen

Draft reply.

Q: I have the public version of the RMP. I was asking for the one that I normally have to get an appointment in an EPA reading room to see. **Can I have THAT version of the RMP?**

A: The full RMP is only available by appointment in federal reading rooms.

Q: In regards to this question: **Does EPA know how the chemicals disperse in water?** A: **ITC, TCEQ and EPA are all testing the water and will work with U.S. Coast Guard and NOAA to determine the impacts on waterways.** I wasn't asking about water testing. I've requested that data already from local officials. I was asking whether the EPA already had dispersion models on hand from before the incident that would guide the authorities on how to respond or what to expect. **Does the EPA have dispersion models for the released chemicals and how they might flow into Galveston Bay?**

A: EPA has not constructed dispersion models for the response. The Unified Command is using NOAA-generated projections to guide operations.